## THE OPEN UNIVERSITY OF SRI LANKA DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL STUDIES BA DEGREE IN SOCIAL SCIENCES -2021/2022 LEVEL 4 - 2<sup>nd</sup> SEMESTER FINAL EXAMINATION DSU4324 – ADVERTISING AND PROMOTIONS



**DURATION: THREE HOURS (3 HOURS)** 

Date: 25<sup>th</sup> February 2023 Time: 01.30 pm – 04.30 pm

## **Instructions:**

- Answer any five (05) questions only.
- Each answer carries 20 marks.
- 01. What is the role of communications in the context of promotions? Explain with suitable examples.
- 02. "Branding" is an important aspect of developing a product. Discuss with examples.
- 03. Critically analyze how "attitude formation" is significant in formulating communication strategies.
- 04. A Marketing manager should be alert about different types of group influences in developing marketing strategies. Discuss with examples.
- 05. Advertising agencies play a vital role in modern organizations. Discuss.
- 06. Explain with examples why Marketing Research is extremely important for modern organizations.
- 07. An appropriate budgetary allocation for advertising and promotions is a major consideration for anyone owning a new business. Discuss.

- 08. What are the problems that are often witnessed in media planning? Discuss with suitable examples.
- 09. Write short notes on any four (04) of the following:
  - a) Positioning by cultural symbols
  - b) Significance of sales promotions
  - c) Primary data in market research
  - d) Re-positioning
  - e) Creative services in advertising

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